APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

YOU SHOULD KNOW:

What is child abuse?

It is any mistreatment or neglect of a child that results in harm or injury. Child abuse can include:

- Physical Abuse
- Emotional Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- Neglect

FACT: Nearly 2 million children suffer from child abuse each year.

Can child abuse be prevented?

Yes! Child abuse can be prevented or stopped, through efforts of:

- Schools: Schools have a responsibility to report child abuse. They also have resources to help troubled individuals and families.
- Neighbors and families
 of troubled individuals:
 Friends and family
 members should reach
 out to those in need.
 Just offering to help
 with errands, baby sitting, etc., can help
 relieve dangerous tension.

 Communities: Special programs can provide education in parenting skills; day care services; home health visitors; counseling and support.

About reporting child abuse.

Many people fear that reporting or admitting abuse will destroy a family. The truth is, getting help can protect children from further harm and help the family face its problem and return to healthy functioning. In severe cases, children may be removed from a home for their immediate safety. Take Action! Child abuse must be reported and addressed! If you are abusing a child, or know of someone who is, it's your responsibility to act (Remember, it's better to be safe than sorry!).

You can make a difference!

Where to get help and information:

 Child Protective Services (475-2672 and 475-2653).

- Family Service Agencies.
- Support Groups
- Your base Fleet and Family Support Center Family Advocacy Program (344-9827).

Remember-getting help is a sign of strength, not weakness.

(cited: Child Abuse Brochure, Channing Beta Co, Inc.)

Wear a Blue

Ríbbon for Child Abuse

Prevention Month





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To report suspected child abuse or for more information on child abuse prevention, call the Fleet and Family Support Center at 333-2056/7

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NEW PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

For military families, new parenthood poses unique challenges. Military families are frequently geographically separated from their families of origin • and civilian peers, and often lack physical access to their hometown social supports and parental models. To address these challenges, the four Military Services have developed programs to support new parents, starting from the prenatal period through the first few years of life. The New Parent Support Programs offered by the Military Services contribute to mission readiness, and support family adaptation to military life. They are designed to enhance the knowledge and skills that new parents need to form healthy relationships and to provide safe, nurturing environments for children.

Key Features of New Parent Support Programs (NPSPs)

- NPSPs are available at military installations worldwide
- Programs emphasize outreach to junior enlisted personnel who are parents. However, the program is available to families of active

duty service members of any rank or age who need support services.

- Participation in NPSPs is voluntary
- The intensity of services and range of activities offered by NPSPs is matched to the level of family needs
- Programs include home visitations, education, counseling, and referrals to other resources to participating families.

The New Parent Support Program can help new parents to better deal with stress, isolation, post-deployment, reunions and the everyday demands of parenthood. The program is a free service.

For more information on the New Parents Support Program, call the Fleet and Family Support Center at

333-2056.

Sexual Assault Victims
Intervention
(SAVI) Program

Take a Stand!
Speak Up!

Stop Sexual Assault!

To obtain resource materials or request for a GMT, contact the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) at the FFSC at

333-2056.

For Victim Assistance, contact a volunteer Victim Advocate at 720-2087 (pager).

April: Month of the Military Child

Since 1986, the Secretary of Defense has set aside April as the "Month of the Military Child", to recognize and honor the youngest members of the military family and the unique challenges they face everyday. This year is the 20th anniversary of honoring our Navy children.

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June 2006

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Father's Day	19	20	21	Welcome to Guam Orientation 0800-1630 CNM	Island Tour 0800-1600 CNM	24		
25	26	27	28	ARC Babysitting Training 0800-1500 FFSC Bldg 106	30			

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Ombudsman Basic Training 0830-1430 **CNM Chapel** April 3-6

Learn the ins and outs of being a great Command Ombudsman, by using confidentiality, communication and professional relationship skills.

Typhoon Preparedness 1500-1600 FFSC Bldg 106 April 4

Find out what to do before, during and after a typhoon. Find out how and where typhoons develop and how the location of the typhoon affects our Condition of Readiness.

YOU CAN BE PREPARED!

Home Buying 1730-1930 FFSC Bldg 106 April 11

Participants will learn the benefits and pitfalls of renting versus owning a home, determine readiness in buying a home, identify different mortgage programs and recognize basic terms used in a mortgage transition.

Teen Communication for Parents 1600-1700 FFSC Bldg 106 April 20

Learn how to motivate and communicate with your teens, so they can take steps toward a happier, more productive life.

Welcome to Guam Orientation (WTGO) 0800-1600 **CNM** April 27 & June 22

Day one starts with information on services available to service members and their dependents followed by a brief on the history of Guam. You will receive the required Water Safety and Family Advocacy Program (FAP) briefings.

Island Tour 0800-1600 **CNM** April 28 & June 23

Day two is an island tour designed to introduce sailors and families new to the island to Guam's rich history and WWII events. Visit museums and points of interest. Ask the FFSC about Childcare when registering for the tour. Uniforms not required, dress for the warm weather.

Anger Management 1700-1900 FFSC Bldg 106 May 4

Learn methods to effectively control and manage your anger by learning to recognize the source and impact of your emotions.

Command Sponsor Training 0900-1100 FFSC Bldg 106 May 10

Designed to provide specific guidelines and information to Command Sponsor Coordinators or those designated as sponsors.

Smooth Move Workshop 0900-1200 FFSC Bldg 106 May 11

A workshop for personnel PCSing within 6-12 months. Workshop covers entitlements, shipping of personal property, clearing housing (on/off base), emotional cycles of relocation, and FFSC programs and services available to those moving.

Transition Assistance Program (TAP) 0800-1600 CNM May 8-15

Will prepare service members to analyze their skills and experiences, identify needs and goals, conduct a successful job search, and obtain information on their VA benefits.

Interview Technique FFSC Bldg 106 0900-1200 June 15

Learn to dress for success, be positive in your interview answers, and the importance of body language.

Sexual Assault & Rape "Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault" 1400-1500 FFSC Bldg 106

May 17

Awareness on date rape drugs and how to protect yourself from becoming a victim.

Effective Communication 1300-1600 FFSC Bldg 106 May 25

In this workshop, participants will learn to express feelings and ideas accurately and effectively, with specific tips on communicating more clearly at home and at work, focusing on verbal, nonverbal, and listening skills.

Sexual Assault Victim Intervention (SAVI) Academy

0800-1600 **CNM Chapel** May 22-25

The weeklong academy covers the basic training requirements for individuals who wish to volunteer as Sexual Assault Victim Intervention (SAVI) advocates. There is an application process and some additional requirements. (Call for details).

Career Options & Navy Skills Evaluation Program (CONSEP) First Term 0800-1630 CNM Chapel

June 5-9

Developed for first time sailors, to identify skills and talents that will help them reach their long term professional goals.

Stress Management 1300-1500 FFSC Blda 106 June 8

This class provides members and/or their families with resources to better cope with stress; informs participants on the sources of stress and how it impacts many areas of a person's life.

SAVI DCC, POC, Liaison Training 0800-1200, 1330-1530 FFSC Bldg 106 June 8 Semi-annual training.

America Red Cross Babysitting Training 0800-1500 FFSC Bldg 106

June 29

Learn the basics of First Aid and Rescue Breathing. Participants must be at least 11 years of age. Must be 12 to baby-sit on base. Call for cost.

ALL CLASSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO

REGISTER CALL: FFSC

333-2056/57

MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION DAY MAY 6, 2006

"If the military had wanted you to have a spouse, they would have issued you one." Remember those words? Well, that was then and this is now. America's military has realized and acknowledged the significance of the military spouse. In 1984 President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the Friday before Mother's Day of each year to be Military Spouse Appreciation Day. It is your day to stand up and be honored.

For the times you've stood and watched a ship sail from the harbor, an aircraft disappear in the clouds, or a truck convoy pull out of sight, not sure when they would return, we thank you.

For the countless household moves you've made from a place you know to one that's strange and different - often by yourself we thank you.

For the families you've held together, for the anniversaries, birthdays, and holidays you've celebrated alone, we thank you.

For the hand you've extended to another military spouse when the need was there, truly creating a military family, we thank you. For the spirit and strength you've shown when your service member has gone into harm's way, we thank you.

Far too frequently, the sacrifices and dedication of the military spouse have gone unnoticed and unappreciated.

Ouite often, you have been placed in an unfamiliar ethnic or cultural setting, or a remote location. You have met this challenge with confidence and pride, making your nation proud of you. By the same token, you have extended your hand and hospitality to visitors to our country.

A country can not count itself strong by its armed services alone, but must also depend on its civilians.

With military wives and husbands setting a superior example through devotion, courage, and commitment, we are a nation of strength.

Military spouses...stand tall, stand proud...we sa-

lute you, you are truly our unsung heroes.

Article written by Arlene H. Hull www.taonline.com/dependentspages/ spouses.asp





A Non-Profit Corporate Direct Hire Program

OPPORTUNITIES
for Military Spouses.
A program
developed by and for
Military Spouses

Providing CAREER

The Military Spouse Corporate Career Network, MSCCN, is dedicated to providing career opportunities and job portability for military spouses. Simply put, the MSCCN seeks to help military spouses find jobs and continue careers throughout the years of a military member's service.

For more information log on to:

www.msccn.org

Other helpful websites:

www.Military.com/spouse www.militaryspousejobsearch.org

BE A VOLUNTEER

For many organizations and groups, America's volunteers are a tremendous source of power. Volunteers can work to *enrich programs* with their ability and willingness to get things done. Volunteers help expand programs, thus offering new opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to serve themselves and each other. Involving the community in supporting different organization's services and goals. Volunteers

out to identify the interest and needs of their communities. By delivering services to people and guiding citizens to the different services makes them great "people helpers."

Today volunteers:

- Raise money
- Take action
- Do what's needed

Today's volunteers include:

- Women and men
- Rich and poor
- · People with disabilities
- Retired people

To become a volunteer in your community come by your Fleet and Family Support Center at Bldg 106 or call 333-2056/7.

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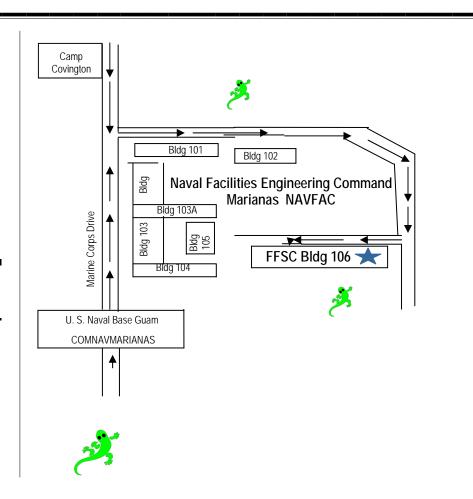
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